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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH METAL WIRE LAYER MASKING

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.6(d);

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Dear Sir:

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, it is respectfully requested that this application be accorded the benefits of Continued Examination. Applicant respectfully requests that the amendment previously filed March 16, 2004, but unentered, in the prior application, be entered at this time.

Please charge deposit account no. 13-2725 for the amount of \$770 to cover the required fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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